

Rosedale Drops Labor Day Fest; Committee to Seek New Provider

by Sandra A. Lange

For 59 years Rosedale Attractions has set up its carnival rides and concession booths at the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival (GLDF). This year, however, will mark the end of the Gaylin family's long tradition with Greenbelt. Tom Gaylin, present owner and patriarch of the family, recently informed Linda Ivy, GLDF president, that he would not be returning for the four-day Labor Day weekend in 2014.

Instead, Gaylin will be taking his carnival to the Chesterfield County Fair, a nine-day event in the suburbs of Richmond. Gaylin made the decision reluctantly, he said. "I did not go after another gig," he stated, implying that the organizers of the Virginia fair had courted him. "It was a hard decision to make . . . an economic one . . ."

He said he felt he could not turn down an offer providing



PHOTO BY HELEN SYDAVAR

During the 59-year life of the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival, five generations of the Gaylin family have worked their Rosedale Amusements for the benefit of Greenbelt.

substantial financial benefits to his business and his family. Gaylin's four children, two daughters, twin sons and their spouses, all are involved in aspects of Rosedale Attractions.

Gaylin said he explored ways to do both events since the Chesterfield County Fair runs from August 22-30, ending on

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Evergreen Health Care Center Focuses on Wellness, Team Care

by Marat Moore

Evergreen Health, a new Maryland-based health cooperative that offers insurance and clinical care, opened a new health care center in Greenbelt earlier this month at 7501 Greenway Center Drive, Suite 600. On January 14, City Manager Michael McLaughlin and other city officials, including the city's director of human resources and the director of Greenbelt CARES, met with Evergreen clinical staff and company representatives to learn about the services offered and to share information about the city and its operations.

The Greenbelt health team includes a primary care physician, a nurse practitioner, a care coordinator (registered nurse), health coach (social worker), a medical assistant and a practice manager. They collaborate to deliver services that emphasize prevention and patient-centered care. Greenbelt is one of four Evergreen Health Centers in the state, located in areas along the I-95 corridor that have a need for more primary care services.

A visit to the Greenbelt office demonstrates that Evergreen is a different kind of clinic. Along with six treatment rooms, there are two "wellness" rooms to be used for health coaching, care coordination meetings and even activities like yoga, said company founder and CEO Dr. Peter Beilenson.

The company's goal, Beilenson

said, is to "provide comprehensive and primary care at an affordable cost in a cost-effective manner, and not just treat sickness." For years he has worked on health reform with an emphasis on universal health care.

Beilenson, a physician, helped create the company after serving 13 years as health commissioner in Baltimore and more recently as public health officer in Howard County. He created Healthy Howard, which was recognized nationally as a model for providing health care for lower-income residents who lack insurance. The program expanded in the county to certify healthy workplaces, restaurants, schools and more. For his work in health reform he was named a "Health Care Hero" by The Utne Reader.

Co-op Insurance Model

Baltimore-based Evergreen Health has two sides to its business – health care service delivery through its health centers (Evergreen Health Care) and insurance (Evergreen Health Insurance). The cooperative has its roots in the Affordable Care Act (ACA). The law provides low-interest loans for new and viable insurance cooperatives to ensure that state health exchanges list local and lower-cost alternatives alongside large insurers.

The Evergreen health plans offer a choice of coverage to individuals, families and small

businesses through its Health Care Centers or a more traditional fee-for-service model. The plan is designed primarily for working-class families who make too much money to be on Medicaid but can't afford available health plans, though Evergreen also is marketing its insurance to small

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What Goes On

Saturday, February 1

9 a.m. to noon, Volunteer to Protect Trees from Beaver Damage. Meet at Public Works building.

Sunday, February 2

1 to 4 p.m., Artful Afternoon, Community Center

Thursday, February 6

2:30 p.m., Free Produce Distribution, Springhill Lake Elementary School

Friday, February 7

6 to 8 p.m., Family Fit Night. Springhill Lake Recreation Center

Saturday, February 8

9 a.m. to noon, Volunteer to Protect Trees from Beaver Damage. Meet at Public Works building.

City Council to Move Ahead With Theater Renovation

by Thomas X. White

At a regular meeting on Monday, January 27 the Greenbelt City Council, on a motion made by Councilmember Leta Mach, approved for first reading a resolution to negotiate the purchase of contracting services for renovation of the Greenbelt theater to the firm of Gardiner and Gardiner Contracting, LLC, at a cost not to exceed \$910,836. Since the Standing Rules of Council do not allow for discussion of an item at first reading, a subsequent agenda item on the Greenbelt Theater Renovation was included later on the agenda to allow for discussion that same evening. The rationale for allowing council discussion on the topic was to expedite the process and make up time that was lost when the topic was not able to be included on the agenda of the January 13 meeting as council intended.

At a council worksession held on December 18, council refined the cost estimates and scope of the proposed renovation and requested that city staff have their final recommendations for moving ahead with the project at the first council meeting in 2014 (GNR, Dec. 26, 2013). One possible reason for the delay may have been staff's effort to obtain an independent cost estimate to compare with the Gardiner and Gardiner estimate of \$910,836 for a phased project. According to Celia Craze, director of the city's Planning and Community Development Department, the city had the

comparison performed by the firm of Davidson Brown. She advised council that, based on guidelines for construction cost estimating, Davidson Brown's estimated cost for the project was \$839,206.00, or a difference of approximately 7.9 percent from the Gardiner and Gardiner estimate. Craze further advised council that a 10 percent variance is considered acceptable.

Council discussion focused on the timing for the project approval to avoid losing state and other grant funding for the project due to lack of action. Craze advised that if the council resolution (the contract with Gardiner and Gardiner) was considered and approved at the next regular meeting of council on February 10, she felt that sufficient progress on the project could be shown that would preserve the grant funding for the project.

However, some councilmembers and members of the audience continued to discuss issues relating to the expected closing of the theater during the renovation; concern about aspects of the proposed heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) improvements, including the placement of equipment on the roof of the theater; the scope of the proposed bathroom renovations; and electrical upgrade.

A motion by Councilmember Rodney Roberts requesting staff to provide a price quote for replacing the components of the existing HVAC system for consideration at the February 10 meeting was supported.

February Artful Afternoon Features Acrobatics, Art

Sunday, February 2 the Greenbelt Recreation Department's monthly Artful Afternoon program will be held at the Greenbelt Community Center from 1 to 4 p.m. In addition to the artists-in-residence studio open house, there will be a sculpture workshop and an acrobatics performance by Skyview Gymnastics. Artful Afternoons are family-friendly, for all ages, with most activities free of any cost.

From 1 to 3 p.m., Artist-in residence Mary Gawlik will lead a sculpture workshop on creating acrobats with magnets and other materials that can stick together or twirl on a tightrope. Materials will be provided.

There will be a reception from 1:30 to 3 p.m. in the Community Center Art Gallery for local painter Valerie Watson's exhibit of full-body botanicals and vibrant figures in the medium of watercolor. The exhibit will continue in the Gallery through

Friday, February 7.

At 3 p.m. acrobatic gymnastics will be performed in the gymnasium with young "gym dancers" recognized locally and internationally.

The artists-in-residence studio open house and sale will be from 1 to 4 p.m. on the second floor. The Greenbelt Museum exhibit "Greenbelt: The First 75 Years" celebrating Greenbelt's 75th anniversary with an interactive timeline exploring the city's history is on the first floor. More local history is available with a tour of the Greenbelt Museum historic house at 10-B Crescent Road across the street from the Community Center. Tours will be held between 1 and 5 p.m. with a nominal fee that is waived for museum members.

Drawing

After the craft workshop, a drawing will be held to select the winner of two tickets to

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Letters to the Editor

Greenbelt Theater

Think big! Theater renovations improve neighborhoods. I propose that the Greenbelt theater be reimagined as the Greenbelt Cultural Arts Center, a home for all of our city’s artists modeled upon the public/private partnership of the AFI Silver Theatre in Silver Spring, Maryland.

Growing up in Silver Spring I was a witness to the forlorn Silver Theater before renovation. I also remember the distressed Greenbelt theater as a young adult raising a family in Greenbelt. Resorting to XXX movie fare in a desolate city center and not making it, the theater floundered. These memories propelled me to look at several theater renovations around Washington, D.C. A common denominator with each renovation is the establishment of a public/private management team to raise funds well north of \$25 million. This is the amount needed to attract paying customers and donating members. Lo and behold, when the renovations are done the rest of the neighborhood improves.

The almost 80 year-old small business model in Roosevelt Center no longer works. I propose a new model of the destination location drawing from the greater Metro area to protect our businesses, livelihoods and property values.

I can imagine Mr. Tugwell and presidential aides approaching President Roosevelt. “Sir, the nation is in depression, many are starving. We want you to give us a godawful amount of money to build some cities we call ‘Greenbelts.’

Aren’t we glad THEY did it? The next few years will be hard for everyone who cares about our city and theater. When the theater reopens will we say, “Wow! A beautiful beacon of community partnership in preservation?” Aren’t we glad WE did it?

Earl Kepler

Free Holiday Film Joint Effort

I’m writing to say thank you to everyone who participated in the Free Holiday Films in December at the Old Greenbelt Theatre. The screening series was a joint effort of the Friends of Greenbelt Theatre and the Greenbelt Community Development Corporation (GCDC) to raise funds for a reel-to-reel 35mm projection system. This system will enable us to bring great old movies out of the vaults of the many D.C. area archives and beyond to share with the Greenbelt community.

Pulling off four Saturday mornings of free movies and free refreshments was a great display of community involvement and support. Greenbelt Access Television was very generous in their loaning of the equipment necessary to show the films. The Co-op provided donations for the refreshments, all the coffee was free from Zeke’s, and we also had donations from Dunkin’ Donuts and Target.

In addition, two of the films were sponsored. “How the Grinch Stole Christmas” was sponsored by the Greenbelt Elementary School PTA, and the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union sponsored “It’s a Wonderful Life.” But most importantly, it was a success because of everyone who came out to experience these films with their fellow Greenbelters. We’re grateful for your enthusiasm and generosity.

All in all, we raised over \$2,000 for the projectors and look forward to seeing you at the movies in the future.

Thank you!

Caitlin McGrath

In Support Of Labor Unions

The lead article in the January 16 News Review, “Consultant Proposes...” reports a question Mayor Emmett Jordan asked consultant Richard Brady about

dissatisfaction expressed by Greenbelt police officers in the consultant’s employee survey. As reported in the article, Jordan asked “if having an employee union helped cause this high level of dissatisfaction.” Brady answered that he felt it was something more than that.

I’m ashamed of the leadership of my lovely town. We have lived here 18 years, paying the high taxes, for which we receive a high level of services. But to read that anti-union remark by Greenbelt leadership is absolutely shocking.

No room to name all, but just some of what labor union members are entirely responsible for or greatly assisted in, even died for: the end of child labor, the end of sweat shops, worker’s compensation, unemployment insurance, recourse for wrongful termination, the existence of weekends, Civil Rights Act, Title VII, pensions, workplace safety (OSHA) and much more.

One of my older Cornell professors stated, “Back before these laws existed you lose your job-- it was like walking off a cliff.”

So unions are outdated you say? See how quickly these protections will disappear.

Over my last 30 years of organizing, it has been of

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Grin Belt



"I guess we should skip the ugh . . . wings."

On Screen

Saving the Dead White Males

That Philistine failed artist Adolph Hitler had a Klephtic eye for Europe’s Raphaels, Rembrandts and Vermeers. The Monuments Men, coming to the Old Greenbelt Theater on Thursday, Feb 6, tells the story of the motley cadre of museum curators, art scholars, sculptors and painters who re-kidnap these priceless treasures to return them to their rightful owners. Risky art appreciation indeed!

The movie stars George Clooney (also director and co-writer), Matt Damon, Cate Blanchett, John Goodman, Bill Murray, Jean Dujardin (The Artist), Hugh Bonneville and Bob Balaban.

Running Time 1 hour, 50 minutes. Rated PG13.

– Jim Link

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OLD GREENBELT THEATRE WEEK OF JAN 31

August:
Osage County
(R)
Monuments Men
(PG-13)

FRIDAY

August: Osage County
*5, 7:30

SATURDAY

Classic Film Series
Today at Noon
Hollywood: The
Golden Age
All Tickets \$5.00

August: Osage County
*2:30, *5, 7:30

SUNDAY

August: Osage County
*2:30, *5, 7:30

MONDAY - WEDNESDAY

August: Osage County
*5, 7:30

THURSDAY

August: Osage County
*5

Monuments Men
7:30

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Sgt. Robert Heverly, Kap Kapastin of Quantum Companies, Judith Davis and Rev. Dan Hamlin pose in front of the Wall of Fame at Beltway Plaza Mall.

Correction

The News Review incorrectly identified honoree Sgt. Robert Heverly in the photo caption of the Beltway Plaza Mall Honors Locals with Wall of Fame article in last week’s issue.

In the January 23, 2014 issue, in the story on council’s review of goals and visions, Councilmember Rodney Roberts questioned why Greenbelt police are patrolling as far as Kenilworth Avenue and Good Luck Road. He was not requesting such patrols, as stated in the story.

The News Review regrets the errors.

Community Events

Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

The Senior Nutrition “Food and Friendship” program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center beginning at noon. Meals must be reserved by 11 a.m. two days ahead so that enough food is ordered. Call 301-397-2208, ext. 4215.

All meals include bread and margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for February 3 through 7 were not available at press time.

At the Library

On Thursdays a librarian reads age-appropriate stories to children and parents that support early literacy by mixing stories with other fun activities including songs, rhymes and fingerplay.

Thursday, February 6, 10:30 a.m. Drop-in Storytime for ages 2 to 5 years. The usual 20-person room limit applies. Pick up a free ticket from the information desk before the session.

Adult Programs

Tuesday, February 4, 7 p.m. The African History and Culture lecture series continues with a talk by C.R. Gibbs on “Twelve Years a Slave: Solomon Northup’s Washington.”

For more information visit the Greenbelt Branch Library, call 301-345-5800 or go to www.pgcmlls.info to review accounts, renew materials or for other library services. For automated phone renewal call 301-333-3111.



Oh, Yes! – Exploring A Good Night’s Sleep

Dr. Estelle Yoo will be a lecturer at Explorations Unlimited on Friday, January 31 from 1 to 3 p.m. in Room 114 of the Community Center. Dr. Yoo’s presentation, “What Would You Give For a Good Night’s Sleep?” will cover many issues that can lead to sleep difficulties, as well as ways to resolve them.

Yoo, a Greenbelt native, is board certified in otolaryngology (ear, nose and throat) and in head and neck surgery. She also specializes in complex ear surgery and in treating pediatric patients. Yoo is pleased to be caring for patients in the community where she grew up. Her office is located in the professional office building at Doctors Community Hospital in Lanham.

Explorations Unlimited is held every Friday at the Greenbelt Community Center. Everyone is welcome to attend and questions are always encouraged. Call Karen Haseley at 301-397-2208 for more information.

Climate Change Game

Greenbelt Climate Action Network will hold a Climate Change Carbon Mitigation Stabilization Wedges Game on Wednesday, February 5, 2014 from 7 to 9:15 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center.

Some experts say we already have all the fundamental scientific, technical and industrial know-how to drastically reduce carbon emissions and solve the climate problem for the next 50 years. We can prevent a doubling of CO2 if we can keep emissions flat for that time, and the difference between keeping the level flat and not doing anything can be seen as a “stabilization triangle.”

This triangle can be divided into 8 “wedges” of mitigation. Keeping emissions flat will require the world’s societies to fill in the eight wedges of the stabilization triangle. At least 15 strategies are available now that, with scaling up, could each take care of at least one wedge of emissions reduction. No one strategy can fill the whole triangle. These strategies encompass efficiency and conservation, renewables and biostorage, fossil-fuel-based strategies, and nuclear energy.

The “Stabilization Wedges Game” is a quantitative way to measure the level of effort associated with a mitigation strategy. A wedge represents a carbon-cutting strategy that has the potential to grow from zero today to avoiding 1 billion tons of carbon emissions per year by 2060. For the purposes of this exercise, each wedge is just as important and effective as every other wedge. The wedge concept fosters discussion of alternatives and encourages the design of a portfolio of responses.

For this game, we will divide into teams. Each will devise its own strategy using the wedges as the building blocks to fill the stabilization triangle and thus keep emission levels even for the next 50 years. Each team will present its own unique solution to this challenge and the group will discuss its merits.

We will end the evening with local updates and announcements of upcoming events.

For more info, contact Lore Rosenthal, Greenbelt Climate Action Network at lore@simplicity-matters.org, 301-345-2234.

The Bus

Seniors and Customers with Disabilities **RIDE FREE**

GHI Notes

Friday, January 31, Office Closed. For emergency maintenance call 301-474-6011.

Wednesday, February 5, 6:45 p.m., Investment Committee Meeting – Board Room

7:30 p.m., Finance Committee Meeting – Board Room

Saturday, February 8, 11 a.m., Pre Purchase Orientation – Board Room

Note: Committee and board meetings are open; members are encouraged to attend.

Kipyn Martin Performs Her Songs at New Deal

Mid-Atlantic Song Contest Gold Award winner Kipyn Martin will perform at the New Deal Café on Wednesday, February 12 at 7 p.m. A graduate of the Shenandoah Conservatory, singer-songwriter Martin has recently relocated from her native West Virginia to Columbia, Md.

Her debut CD, “Undercover Muse,” was released last year and continues to receive airplay nationally. Martin has also received international distinction by being named a semi-finalist in the 2013 U.K. Song Contest.

For additional information see newdealcafe.com or kipynmartin.com.

Garden Club Meets On Plot Assignments

The Greenbelt Community Garden Club’s (GCGC) Annual Plot Assignment Meeting will take place Tuesday, Feb. 18. The meeting will be held in the Community Center starting at 7:30 p.m.



Garden rules have been modified this year. Copies will be made available at the meeting and will be posted on the GCGC website. If anyone had a plot in previous years and are not able to attend, contact the garden coordinator. People on the GCGC waiting list are encouraged to come as well.

For more information contact Martha Tomecek at 301-614-0691.

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Acrobatic gymnastics performed by Skyview Gymnastics.

any show at the Greenbelt Arts Center. To enter, complete an entry form in the Community Center Art Gallery or online at www.greenbeltmtd.gov/arts before 2:30 p.m. Sunday, February 2.

More information about City

of Greenbelt art programs is available at www.greenbeltmtd.gov/arts, at Greenbelt Recreation ARTS on Facebook or by calling 240-542-2057. These programs are sponsored in part by the Maryland State Arts Council.

More Community Events
are throughout the paper.

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WEEK OF JAN 31

FRIDAY, SATURDAY & TUESDAY

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Frozen, PG
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I Frankenstein, PG-13 (!)
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12 Years a Slave, R
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Nut Job, PG
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Ride Along, PG-13
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Devil's Due, R
7:15, 10

Jack Ryan: Shadow Recruit, PG-13
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Lone Survivor, R
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ALL ARE WELCOME.



Letters

scientists, attorneys, bank examiners, clerical employees, accountants, park rangers and customs officers. It occurred to them that one has more rights when united that can't be easily ignored.

A quote by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.: "The labor movement was the principal force that transformed misery and despair into hope and progress. Out of its bold struggles, economic and social reform gave birth to unemployment insurance, old-age pensions, government relief for the destitute and above all, new wage levels that meant not merely survival but a tolerant life. The captains of industry did not lead this transformation; they resisted it until they were overcome. When in the thirties the wave of union organization crested over the nation, it carried to secure shores not only itself but the whole society."

There are whole teams of firms who coach how to keep out unions or destroy those that exist. The remark in our paper could have come straight from the book. Yes, the book exists. In my first union election many years ago, the firm responsible for the book was hired to keep out the union.

The statute covering federal employees' unions reads, "facilitates and encourages the amicable settlements of disputes between employees and their employers involving conditions . . . therefore unions are in the public interest."

Elizabeth Gaines

Thanks!

I always thought robins are harbingers of Spring. About three weeks ago a flock of more than 40 perched in trees and on the ground between my neighbor's home and mine. Surely this grand display meant nice days are soon to follow.

Then came artic blasts and snow. So cold that the January 21 snowfall is still covering parts of lawns and grassy areas. Mounds in parking lots have shrunk but remnants remain. Will we ever be warm again?

Our next chance for hope is February 2, when Punxsutawney Phil emerges from his den. Depending on the presence of his shadow, the great groundhog will tell us either to plan for six more weeks of winter or it's time to put away the boots and mittens.

The robins have let us down and we won't have Phil's opinion for a few more days. One thing though is certain. The Greenbelt Department of Public Works has once again kept our streets clear from snow and ice. Thanks for yet another job well done.

Sue Krofchik

Smell Gas?

(Sulfur or rotten eggs)

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Montpelier Celebrates with Black History Month Programs

Montpelier staff will once again take Black History programs on the road offering Science on the Plantation: African American Scientists in Maryland History. On Tuesday, February 4 at 2:45 and 3:45 p.m. the subject will be Weathering Racism: The Benjamin Banneker Almanacs and on Tuesday, February 11 at 2:45 and 3:45 p.m. the talk will be on Metal Heads: The Iron Industry in Laurel, Before & after Emancipation. These talks

will be held at the Deerfield Run Community Center, 13000 Laurel-Bowie Road, Laurel.

On Tuesday, February 18 at 3:30 and 4:30 p.m. the subject will be Weathering Racism: The Benjamin Banneker Almanacs, and on Tuesday, February 25 at 3:30 and 4:30 p.m. the talk will be on Metal Heads: The Iron Industry in Laurel, Before & After Emancipation. These programs will be at the Vansville Community Center, 6813 Ammendale Road,

Beltsville.

These programs explore the contributions of African Americans in agricultural and industrial science in Maryland history. The programs are free and open to the public and include hands-on science experiments, researching primary documents and more.


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MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK OF February 3-7

Monday, February 3 at 7:30pm, **INTERVIEW FOR ADVISORY GROUP** at the Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road.

Monday, February 3 at 8:00pm **COUNCIL WORK SESSION**, topic to be announced. Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and Streaming at www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv

Wednesday, February 5 at 8:00pm, **EXECUTIVE SESSION** (see notification below).

This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000.

OFFICIAL NOTICE

In accordance with Section 10-508(a)(1) and (9) of the State Government Article of the Annotated Code of the Public General Laws of Maryland, an Executive Session of the Greenbelt City Council will be held on Wednesday, February 5, 2014, at 8:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in Room 201 of the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.


The purpose of this meeting will be to discuss a personnel matter and collective bargaining negotiations.

Cindy Murray, CMC, City Clerk

Arts & Acrobats: an Artful Afternoon

Sunday, February 2
1-4 pm. Times vary for individual activities.
Most activities free.

Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Rd, Greenbelt, MD 20770, Ph. 240-542-2057



1-3pm, join Artist in Residence Mary Gawlik in a sculpture workshop.


1:30-3pm: Meet outstanding local painter Valerie Watson at a reception for her current exhibition.

3pm, Enjoy an acrobatic gymnastics featuring the young "gym dancers" of Skyview Gymnastics, with talents recognized locally and internationally; this show is certain to be awe-inspiring.

Springhill Lake Elementary School Free Produce Distribution

Thursday, February 6, 2014 2:30 pm
Thursday, March 6, 2014 2:30 pm
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The school is located at 6060 Springhill Drive, Greenbelt, MD 20770. Please note you will not be allowed to enter the building until 2:15 pm due increased security measures in the school. No registration is necessary. Please bring a cart or sturdy bags to carry your produce. It can be heavy.




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9:00am-12:00pm at Buddy Attick Park

Volunteer to help assist Public Works with caging the trunks of trees to protect them. All training, equipment, and instructions provided. Some heavy lifting may be required. Under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Volunteers will meet at the Public Works Building, 555 Crescent Road at 9am. Please dress warmly.

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FAMILY FIT NIGHT

Friday, February 7, 6:00pm-8:00pm
Springhill Lake Recreation Center, 6101 Cherrywood Ln.



GET ACTIVE! Join family and friends for a night of fitness activities that will get you moving. Activities include inflatable orb racing, hot shot drills, jump rope endurance, hula hoop dance challenges and much more! Families with children ages 5-14 are welcome. Greenbelt, an official Let's Move! City, developed the Family Fit Night program to help campaign against childhood obesity. All participants are eligible to enter a raffle for Recreation Center and Aquatic and Fitness Center day passes!



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Obituaries

John Robbins

On November 9, 2013, John and Sally Robbins celebrated their 68th wedding anniversary. Only two months later on January 2, 2014, John Robbins died peacefully at his home in Bristol, Tennessee at the age of 90. He is survived by his wife Sally and children Johnny, Randy, Kim Hewitt and Elaine Greene, along with grandchildren and great-grandchildren.



The Robbins family resided in Greenbelt in the 1950s and then moved to Tennessee. In the late 1960s they again lived in Greenbelt until retiring and returned to Bristol in the 1980s. John worked at Coca-Cola in White Oak until he retired, and Sally worked at the Greenbelt doctors' office in the Roosevelt Center until retirement. Sally currently resides in Bristol.

Joan Louise Quinn

On December 18, 2013, Joan Louise Quinn of 71 Court of Ridge Road died quietly at home of multiple health complications.



Ms. Quinn was born September 11, 1955, and grew up in Silver Spring in the Four Corners community of Woodmoor. A 1974 graduate of St. Bernadette's Catholic School, she obtained her bachelor's degree in therapeutic recreation from the University of Maryland in 1978.

As an intern in therapeutic recreation, she volunteered at Great Oaks Center and later was hired as a full-time employee, which began her lifelong service to persons with disabilities. From Great Oaks, she became a therapeutic recreation specialist at the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC). In the first half of her career there, she was responsible for planning quality programs for all ages and levels of disabilities for the children, teens, adults and seniors of the county. She especially enjoyed her summer program at Watkins Park for senior citizens.

In the second half of her career at Park and Planning, she served as an inclusion specialist coordinator, responsible for providing assistance to special-needs residents that would enable them to interact and participate with others in all programs and services provided by M-NCPPC. She retired in 2010, after 32 years.

Seeking avenues to further serve persons with disabilities, Ms. Quinn was an active member of the Therapeutic Recreation Branch of the Maryland Recreation and Parks Association for many years, which allowed her to connect and interact with specialists from all over the state. She also served on the board of the Prince George's County

Advisory Committee on Aging, the Prince George's County Commission for Individuals with Disabilities and as a board member of Resource Connections of Prince Georges County.

Ms. Quinn moved to Laurel in 1983, where she met her long-lasting friends Scott Greene and James Poteet. Their shared love of Star Trek, Quantum Leap, antiquing and animals were elements that created forever friendships. They spent many hours discussing politics, movies and music.

In 1991 she moved to GHI in Greenbelt, where she remained. She loved the wooded paths where she could walk her Mama Pup and cherished all the aspects of Old Greenbelt from the Theater, Co-op, New Deal Café, lake and the Farmers Market to the Friday seafood dinners at the American Legion. She especially enjoyed the Labor Day Festival where she could see old friends and make new acquaintances. She loved the Fall Crab Feast held annually at the Greenbelt Fire House. She became endeared to her many Greenbelt friends, especially Caitlin Phillips and her daughter Vanessa, as well as Caitlin's sister Bronwyn. Together they spent many evenings in laughter and friendship with others sitting on her deck.

Ms. Quinn was an avid lover of music; it was her passion. She and another friend for life, Steve Radov, attended many concerts at the University of Maryland, the Black Cat and the 9:30 Club. They had met in college, and ironically, both ended up working in the same division at M-NCPPC. Later she attended concerts with James and Scott at venues including the New Deal Café, Bowie Towne Grill and The Sapphire (DeGennero's), where she was excited to hear an old friend from work, Steve Abramowitz, play with his band. The computer became another way for her to hear her favorite tunes and explore new artists.

A bit of a political "wonk," Ms. Quinn devotedly embraced the ideals of progressive and liberal causes and enjoyed political discourse with people from all walks of life. She could share ideas with everyone in a non-judgmental way.

A multi-faceted person, Ms. Quinn also had a deep interest in the supernatural. She and her dear friend Diane Baker attended many workshops and conferences seeking information about spiritualism, psychic phenomena, new age healing, aliens, electronic voice phenomena (EVP) and the existence of ghosts. They explored the vortex energies of the Red Rocks of Sedona, Calif., and for EVP recorded silence in the basement of Edgar Allen Poe's Baltimore house – but on playing back the tape in their hotel room, heard voices!

We will miss our dear friend with her soft smile, keen wit and generous heart which touched so many people. Her efforts and dedication to persons with disabilities has made a lasting

impact on hundreds, if not thousands, across the county. We wish her peace and joy in her new life in the heavens, on to more adventures and more ways to help others.

She is survived by her sisters Mary Buttrey of Frederick, Md. and Ann Glickman of Potomac, Md., as well as many nieces and nephews whom she cherished. Services were held on December 23 at St. Bernadette's Church in Silver Spring, with interment at Gate of Heaven cemetery.

Contributions in Ms. Quinn's memory can be made to the Greenbelt Animal Shelter.

– Diane E. Baker with Caitlin Phillips, James Poteet and Scott Greene.

In Memoriam Martha Hall

It's a story as old as the country itself: A boy and girl grow up in a small town, attract each other's attention, fall in love and marry young. Against the odds, they not only survive but thrive by whatever standard you use to calculate success in a basic, middle-class way.

Martha Siehl was a Greenbelt girl – the baby of a family of eight kids born to Bob and Helen Siehl who lived up on Plateau Place. She married Kenny Hall, a Greenbelt boy whose family lived on Southway. That part of the story I know pretty well because I married Martha's sister Kathy. Our band played at Kenny and Martha's wedding, just like in the story, right? Unlike my marriage, however, which ended in divorce, Kenny and Martha remained in wedded bliss (and Kenny states it truly was) for more than 42 years.

Kenny and Martha raised two kids, Patty and little Kenny, and celebrated two grandchildren, Briana and Kylie.

Martha suffered a brain aneurysm and passed from this life at the age of 58 on January 22 at Queen Anne's Emergency Center near Centreville, Md., where Kenny and Martha had relocated several years ago. Martha is also survived by her sisters Patty Lauer, Kathy Don Bullian and Helen Sharpes of Greenbelt; and her brothers Arthur (Butch) of Prince Frederick, Donnie of Dallas, Texas and Andy of Conway, S.C..

Martha attended Parkdale High School in Riverdale. She subsequently worked for Litton-Amecom in College Park for 20 years, retiring as a chief electrical inspector of Space Systems Operations. Her brother Butch related that the proudest moment in her career was traveling to Cape Kennedy in Fla., where she and several of her team members were given a tour of the Space Center. The trip was in conjunction with the team's work on a circuit module that was slated to be part of the vehicle in the next

launch. Butch said she was thrilled and talked about that for years. Kenny, in the meantime, found work in Greenbelt where he rose to become, and remains, the chief of the city's Public Works Department. The respect this couple earned was reflected by the attendance at Martha's service by five councilmembers, the city manager and assistant city manager, and other city department managers and past officials.

What is generally not included in any fairy tale or fantasy is the arthritis and fibromyalgia that plagued Martha for most of her adult life. She never passed a day without pain of varying degrees. Kenny, always speaking lovingly of his wife, would say to me, "That woman is the bravest woman I know," by living day-to-day and fulfilling her role as wife, mother and grandmother with little complaint. Her knuckles were always swollen and disfigured despite surgical attempts to correct them. When asked how she was doing, she would say "okay" or, as her best friend Lois Davis recalled, "Things could be better, but I'm fine." I remember her cheeriness and her ready ability to laugh at even the smallest attempts at humor.

Martha was very concerned that after Kathy and I divorced, she was still my sister-in-law, as she always told everyone (what a compliment). "Of course," I responded at the time. Truth is, she was a sister despite any marriage or divorce, just as she was a sister to the more than 100 Greenbelt brothers and sisters who traveled to Centreville on Monday for the visitation and service. What a privilege to have grown up in what was then a small town, with this huge family that encompassed the city development in those days. So many who were there in the early years of Martha's life were there at the end, like family, along with others who knew Martha later in her life. It was very comforting to Kenny, who simply said, "So many people came." He was in awe, just as he often says he was in awe of Martha.

I asked Martha's granddaughter Briana what she could tell me about her grandmother. She wrote the following note, more suitable for closing than my humble attempts and knowledge:

"Martha E. Hall was like another mom to me. She was there for me no matter what. My Maw-Maw was my best friend. We loved shopping and spending time together. She was such a caring, loving and amazing woman. She was like an elephant; she never forgot anything or any occasion and she was always ready for them. For example, she was able to get my sister a present for her birthday on January 26 before she passed. She will always be truly loved and missed by so many! This is a sad time, but the good thing is she is not in pain anymore. Rest in peace my beautiful Maw-Maw. I love you more than you ever knew!"

Rick Ransom
with Briana Hall

Peace Groups Hold Annual Contest

All Maryland middle school students in grades 7 and 8 are invited to enter a statewide writing contest focusing on themes of peace and social justice. The contest is open to students enrolled in public or private schools in Maryland and to home-schooled students in the same grade levels.

Now in its 18th consecutive year, the contest is sponsored by Anne Arundel Peace Action, the Maryland Peace Action Education Fund, the Benjamin Peace Foundation and the Peace and Justice Center of Annapolis Friends Meeting. Four cash prizes will be awarded: \$350 for first place, \$250 for second place, \$150 for third place, and \$100 for fourth place. Winners will be honored at a special ceremony, although attendance is not required to receive an award.

To enter, students must submit an entry of up to 1,200 words on the following topic:

"You learn that a friend at school has received repeated cruel and intimidating text messages from other classmates. Some of these communications have even suggested that your friend deserves to be hurt in some way. Your friend also has been contacted in this manner by text messages and email and through social media such as Facebook, MySpace, Tumblr and Formspring. You realize these actions are not a joke and need to be stopped. You decide to work with other students to develop a strategy for ending the cyber bullying. Explain what you will do."

Entries must be accompanied by a separate cover sheet including the student's name, address and phone number or e-mail address; the school's name, address and phone number and the name of the teacher sponsor if applicable. Materials must be postmarked no later than Wednesday, April 30 and mailed to Fred B. Benjamin Peace Writing Contest, 310 Riverview Avenue, Annapolis, MD 21403.

For more information, contact Michael Keller at 410-263-7409 or mjkeller@att.net.

Anne Arundel Peace Action and the Maryland Peace Action Education Fund are affiliated with Peace Action, the country's largest grassroots peace and disarmament organization with approximately 100,000 members nationwide.

Hospital Holds Stroke Support Meeting

Doctors Community Hospital will hold its monthly free stroke education meeting on Wednesday, February 12 from 1 to 3 p.m. in the Professional Office Building First Floor Conference Room, 8116 Good Luck Road, Lanham.

The session will teach stroke survivors and caregivers how to manage the physical and emotional challenges caused by strokes. Participants may share experiences and offer comfort and empowerment to others. A team of professionals will provide information about stroke prevention and management.

To register, call 301-324-4968.

Upcoming Events At The New Deal

Friday, January 31 begins with John Guernsey playing piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m., then Marv Ashby and High Octane headline with “no holds barred” bluegrass. Come down on Saturday, February 1 for Bruce Kritt on classical guitar from 4 to 6 p.m. Guernsey plays uptempo jazz piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m., then Karen Collins and the Backroads Bank play classical honky-tonk and vintage country from 8 to 11 p.m. Join the weekly Deaf Brunch discussion on Sunday, February 2 from 10:30 to noon. Meet the artist Marjorie Gray and explore her new exhibit from 7 to 9 p.m. at our artist’s reception.

Genealogical Society Meets Wednesday

The Prince George’s County Genealogical Society (PGCGS) will meet Wednesday, February 5 at 7 p.m. in the New Carrollton Municipal Building, 6016 Princess Garden Parkway. After a brief business meeting Tom Shawker will present “Death and Disease at the Birth of our Country.” All are welcome to attend this free presentation. For additional information see <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~mdpgcs/> or call 301-262-2063. The society meets on the first Wednesday of the month from September through June, except for January.

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the Saturday before Labor Day. But the logistics would not work out, he said, “and it wouldn’t have been fair to try to do both festivals at the same time,” he added.

Family History

His family’s entrée into the amusement business began in 1928 when his grandmother, Ann Gaylin, set up two rides in the streets of Baltimore. Soon after, Ann and her husband, Thomas Gaylin, Sr., formed their company in Rosedale, Md., expanding to eight rides. Their son, Thomas Jr., took over the business in 1966, expanding to 25 rides. Gaylin’s grandfather first brought Rosedale to Greenbelt in 1954. Tom Gaylin remembers coming to Greenbelt first in 1958 when he was eight years old, becoming the third generation of Gaylins to work in Greenbelt. His own children now supervise set-ups and teardowns, operate the food and game concessions and are learning office procedures. A fifth generation is in the wings, growing up in trailers and waiting their turn to manage the operation. There is an extended group of long-time employees as well. “We are one big family,” Gaylin says proudly, and when he retires—maybe in a few years—he knows who will be taking over. It was the future—and how he viewed providing for himself and his family, that tipped the balance and pointed him to Virginia.

In the meantime, Linda Ivy and the Festival Committee will be interviewing potential replacements. Many carnival companies already have signed contracts for 2014, so there will be limited choices. “We will be making a decision soon,” she affirmed.

Ivy noted that in 2014 the festival will be celebrating 60 years of continuous operation by a volunteer community organization. “We have a proud history,” she said, “We put on a wonderful four-day event and Tom was a huge part of it. He will be hard to replace. But we will move forward.”

First Rumors

Ivy said she starting hearing rumors about Gaylin’s not returning to Greenbelt in November when another amusement company operator called her repeatedly. At first, she refused to believe that Rosedale was not returning but, after the fifth or eighth call, she contacted Gaylin.

When he finally returned her call, on the day he accepted the Chesterfield County Fair contract, he told her it was true. “My jaw dropped,” she said. The relationship with Rosedale had been so long that it was taken for granted. “How do you find someone else?” she asked. The Festival Committee was

Botanic Garden Holds Kids’ Night Program

From 7 to 9:30 p.m. on Friday, February 7, and again at the same time on Saturday, February 8, the U.S. Botanic Garden (USBG) will present a free children’s program, Night Adventure at the USBG, led by Children’s Education Specialist Lee Coykendall. Ever wonder what it’s like to be at the U.S. Botanic Garden late at night after the public and gardeners have gone home? A night adventure awaits as children venture out on a flashlight tour of the jungle, explore night-blooming flowers and night pollinators, experience the cool of the night desert and participate in several hands-on plant science experiments. Participants must be between the ages of 8 and 12 and accompanied by an adult. No adults may enroll without registered children. Parents must remain on site during the program. Registration is required: visit www.usbg.gov to register.

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Deli Gourmet \$6 ⁷⁹ Swiss lb. Cheese		Fresh Store Baked \$1 ⁹⁹ Hoagie Rolls 6 pack		Dillon's Gourmet \$1 ⁹⁹ Pecan or Peanut Brittle 5 oz.		Listerine \$3 ⁹⁹ Mouthwash Assorted 16.9 oz.		Smoking Loon \$7 ⁹⁹ Wines 1.5 Liter	

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Police Blotter

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department, <http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/police/index.htm>, link in left frame to "Weekly Report" or http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/police/weekly_report.pdf.
Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Strong Arm Robbery

January 17, 7:30 p.m., 6000 Springhill Drive. A woman was walking down the street when a man approached her, grabbed a cell phone from her hand, and left the scene on foot. The man was light-skinned, 6' tall and thin, wearing a black jacket, blue jeans and sneakers with "23" on the back.

DWI/DUI

January 18, 1:40 a.m., Edmonston Road at Edmonston Court. A 22-year-old nonresident was arrested for multiple alcohol and traffic-related charges as a result of a traffic violation. He was released on citations pending trial.

Burglary

January 23, 3:28 a.m., 7400 Greenbelt Road. Phones were taken from the Verizon Store after unknown person(s) forced open the front door.

Arrest

January 17, 2:50 p.m., 9100 Edmonston Court. Three 20-year-old residents were arrested and charged with possession of paraphernalia after a security officer found them in a laundry room with paraphernalia used to weigh and ingest marijuana. All three were released on citation pending trial.

Vandalism

January 19, 10 p.m., 5900 Springhill Drive. Unknown person(s) shattered the sliding glass door of a residence by throwing a fire extinguisher through it.

Automotive Crime

7800 Mandan Road. A 2013 Toyota Tacoma pickup, reported stolen to the Prince George's County Police Department, was recovered. No arrests were made.

7700 Hanover Parkway. A silver 1999 Honda Civic 4-door, Md. Tags 7AH8545, reported stolen 1/17, was recovered 1/19 in Fairmont Heights. The tags on the vehicle at the time of the theft were not recovered and are still considered stolen. No arrests were made.

The following thefts from vehicles occurred between 1/16 and 1/22:

7700 Hanover Pkwy (copper pipe taken from work van roof); 7300 Wintergreen Court (passenger window broken and air bag removed); 6200 Springhill Drive (driver's side window broken and lottery tickets removed).

At the area of Mandan Road and Mathew Street, an unknown suspect broke a driver's side window and ransacked a car, but nothing was taken.

Health Care Exchange

Under the Affordable Care Act, most people over age 18 must have health insurance beginning in 2014 or pay a fine. If a person has Medicaid or Medicare coverage, or currently has health insurance through an employer or has bought a policy, the requirement is met.

For Maryland residents, the health exchange for purchasing coverage under the Affordable Care Act is the Maryland Health Connection (www.marylandhealthconnection.gov). Residents can enroll on line or receive personal assistance from "navigators" at county offices (for details on locations, see the Dec. 19, 2013, issue, p. 13).

When getting health insurance coverage using the Maryland Health Connection, lower costs on monthly premiums are possible. Any savings for which a person is eligible will be shown during the application process. Prices shown for insurance plans will reflect the lower costs. Savings may be used on Bronze, Silver, Gold or Platinum plans.

Coverage through the Maryland Health Connection may lower costs on out-of-pocket expenses, such as deductibles, co-payments and co-insurance. If one qualifies for out-of-pocket savings, a Silver plan choice is required to get the savings.

A Kaiser Family Foundation calculator is available (<http://kff.org/interactive/subsidy-calculator/>) to get a rough estimate of how much health insurance may cost, based on income and household size.

If financial assistance (tax credits) is not needed, it is not necessary to purchase health insurance through Maryland Health Connection. A person can go directly to any health insurance company participating in the market for health insurance coverage.

Open enrollment into qualified health plans through Maryland Health Connection continues until March 31. Medicaid enrollment is year-round.

Sources: Healthcare.gov and marylandhealthconnection.gov

Black Influence on New World Cuisine

Michael Twitty, author of "Fighting Old Nip: the Foodways of Enslaved Afro-Marylanders, 1634-1864," will give a Black History Month lecture at the Suratt House Museum on Saturday, February 8 at 4 p.m. Twitty will trace three centuries of African-American culinary history from west and central Africa to colonial Maryland as he discusses the vast influence

of both enslaved and free black people on the cuisine and culture of the New World.

This event is free and all are welcome. Arrive early since space is limited. The Surratt House Museum is located at 9118 Brandywine Road in Clinton.

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CPAE Arts Workshop To Make Valentines

The College Park Arts Exchange (CPAE) will offer an Arts Workshop on Collage Valentines on Saturday, February 1 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Bring magazines and catalogs to cut up and make beautiful designs around the simple heart motif. There is a nominal charge for this activity. More information can be found on-line at info@cpae.org or by calling 301-927-3013.

Darnall's Chance Tour Traces Black History

On Friday, February 7 at 1 p.m. and at 3 p.m., a free tour will present the history of enslaved African American women who lived at Darnell Chance with a special emphasis on the Bentley Family. Tour location will be at Darnall's Chance House Museum in Upper Marlborough. Reservations are required for groups of seven or more. For details, call 301-952-8010 – TTY 301-699-2544

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10:00 AM – 12:00 PM @ Spring Hill Lake Youth Center

DRAFT DAY

Friday, March 7, 2014 - 6:00 PM

Braden Field #2 (for those who can't make Saturday)

Saturday, March 8, 2014

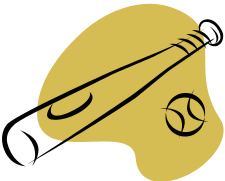
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A Review

Greenbelt’s Version of “The Vagina Monologues” Is a Raunchy Delight

by Jim Link

Eve Ensler’s *The Vagina Monologues* (TVM) has morphed into a wildly successful cultural phenomenon since its launch in New York City in 1996. It has raised over 75 million dollars for women’s anti-violence causes and has raised the consciousness of countless men and women. Theater-goers routinely claim TVM’s impact has been life-changing.

Despite (because of?) its whiff of sexual daring, political edginess and zealous support of a good cause, TVM has its detractors. Some say it is structurally loose, too episodic, bereft of development or plot; a mere rant, not a shapely, well-wrought object; a piece of potty-mouthed propaganda, not a Jane Austen minuet of finely calibrated sensibilities.

But don’t let these detractors stop you from seeing *The Rude Mechanicals’* rousing, wonderful, disturbing production of TVM now at the Greenbelt Arts Center. For once, the Rudes do not lay irreverent hands on their chosen material; there are plenty of delights and discomforts already in this seamless (no intermission) 90-minute flow of shock, tenderness and humor.

After some initial disarming banter, the audience is hit with ghastly statistics about the practice of female genital mutilation in Africa and of systematic rape as a technique of war in Bosnia and Kosovo.

The earlier banter involves the 10 actresses giving rapid-fire answers to the question, “What would your vagina wear?” “Armani only,” quips one. And “What would your vagina say?” The emphatic collective response is “Slow down!”

All Onstage

All 10 monologists are onstage all the time, lounging in deep red bean-bag chairs, supporting the speaker of the moment with nods, applause and appropriate body language.

Kate Smith-Morse triumphantly reclaims the “C” word, a slang term for vagina; Spencer Kate describes her character’s lesbian experience as her salvation; Mikki Barry demystifies pubic hair.

Lisa Hill-Corley’s character makes every man in the audience wish to be as appreciative a sexual connoisseur as is her boyfriend Bob. Michelle Trout’s character ends the monologues on an optimistic note – being present at the birth of her granddaughter.

Co-director Lauren Brewer gives a tour-de-force rendition of a dominatrix (a former lawyer!) teaching women to be sexually satisfied without the bothersome aid of men. She “unlocks the vagina’s wild song” with a glorious taxonomy of sexual moans: the diva moan, the elegant moan, the Jewish, Irish Catholic and baby moans.

Then there is the uninhibited, militant, bisexual moan. Finally, the surprise triple orgasm moan. Uh . . . whew! After which, the whole cast lights up their cigarettes!



The full cast of the Rude Mechanicals production of *The Vagina Monologues* at the Greenbelt Arts Center.

Suffice it to say that Meg Ryan in “When Harry Met Sally” could take lessons from Lauren Breward. Having producer Josh Engel and co-director Jaki Demarest carry Breward away in her exhausted state of high satiety is a nice touch.

Convincing Cast

The cast is uniformly convincing. It is, in Breward’s words, spreading the message, “You are not alone!” This play

creates a sacred space.

More humbly, perhaps, it shows us that we’ve come a long way, baby, since Aristotle, Aquinas and Freud opined that women are merely incomplete men because they “lack” that divine appendage, that magic wand to which men are so attached.

See TVM on Fridays and Saturdays through February 8 at 8 p.m. and on Sunday, February 2 at 2 p.m.

Watkins Nature Center Offers Programs

Watkins Nature Center, 301 Watkins Park Drive, Upper Marlboro, is offering a variety of programs with activities that encourage youth to learn about and connect with nature. On Saturday, February 1 at 10 to 11 a.m. the program will be Creature Features for ages 2 and up (SMARTlink #1292017). There is a nominal fee per child and reservations are required. To register online, visit www.pg parks.com and click on the SMARTlink logo; search for the programs using the barcode number listed above. For more information call 301-218-6702. This is an on-going series of programs that continues through the month of February.

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Those not able to attend the session in person may view it live over the internet at princegeorgescountymd.gov. Two earlier sessions that took place in Oxon Hill and Upper Marlboro also had internet coverage.

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Evergreen Health Center team members in the Greenbelt office stand in front of an art mosaic they created as part of their team-building training. Seated left to right, Katrina Reiser, RN and certified registered nurse practitioner; Camille Woodson, MD, primary care physician. Standing left to right are Lauren Diggs, RN and care coordinator; Myra Ingram, registered medical assistant; Nathan Drew, health coach and licensed graduate social worker; Anthony Wilson, practice manager.

businesses. People who enroll in Evergreen on the state health exchange may be eligible for subsidies that, depending on income, could lower the cost of the plan. The cooperative is self-governed by an elected board of which more than half are co-op health plan members, and will comply with the rules and regulations of the health reform law.

Around two dozen health insurance co-ops now exist around the country as a result of the ACA, but only Maryland has a co-op that also launched a health delivery system. The health centers were not funded by the ACA; the company raised \$5.2 million primarily from three large foundations to fund the clinics.

Choices

The two sides of Evergreen Health are closely affiliated. Patients who enroll in the insurance co-op – and become “members” – have two options: Evergreen Health Insurance and Evergreen Health Care.

Patients can enroll in Evergreen Health Insurance, a traditional fee-for-service model, and choose medical providers through the co-op’s statewide network of more than 7,000 providers. Every hospital in Maryland and more than 30 different urgent care networks in the state are included in the plans.

The other choice for patients is enrolling in the Evergreen Health Care plan. These patients will use the company’s health care centers and establish a “medical home,” where a team of providers offer a holistic approach by coordinating a patient’s total care, providing health coaching and home monitoring for patients with diabetes or other chronic conditions.

In addition to the “medical

home” model, Evergreen Health Care has implemented payment reform and evidence-based practice. The Health Care Centers do not espouse the fee-for-service model of health care delivery, which relies on revenue from high patient caseloads. Physicians in traditional practices in Maryland see an average of 25 to 30 patients a day, Beilenson said. Evergreen Health Care physicians likely will have a caseload of 12 to 13 patients daily.

“Evergreen’s physicians are salaried, which will allow them to spend more time with each patient and will reduce costs, with more personalized care,” Beilenson said. “We don’t care how many patients our physician sees. We want to keep patients out of the hospital.”

Using evidence-based medicine means that the best science on what treatments are most effective and least expensive would be readily available to all providers. In the fee-for-service system, Beilenson said, most physicians have little to no idea how much the medications, procedures and tests they prescribe or conduct cost the patient. In the near future the Greenbelt Evergreen Health Center will also have a telehealth suite where onsite consultations can concur with specialists across the state.

The three pillars of Evergreen’s health centers—the medical home, payment reform and evidence-based practice—will improve health outcomes for patients, says Beilenson.

“We didn’t go into this to run an insurance company,” he said. “We went in to do health reform the way we wanted. We are committed to giving patients the kind of care that will keep them as healthy as possible.”

For more information on Evergreen, visit evergreenmd.org.

“Arctic Vortex” Delivers Challenges

“A very unusual pattern” of severe cold weather has descended upon Greenbelt in the past month, remarked Eldon Ralph, Greenbelt Homes general manager. The first cold spell a few weeks ago caused 12 residential pipes to burst. This past week, the unusual occurrences of prolonged low temperatures have caused six additional pipes to burst.

To prevent pipes from bursting, Ralph advises that heat should be turned up to a minimum of 55 degrees. All exterior faucets should be turned off. If residents are out of town, they should ask a neighbor to check on the house.

“We have had a very cold January and we have a ways to go,” said Ralph. “We can’t let our guard down now. We’ve got to continue taking precautions.”

City Public Works Director Jim Sterling reports that the snow removal went “very well.” Crews removed snow and ice and salted city sidewalks and bus stops around the clock Tuesday and Wednesday, continuing to maintain them for the remainder of the week.



City, Beavers Need Community Support

With resident beavers working away on trees around Greenbelt Lake, Public Works crews have begun protecting trees they believe may be at risk. With the snow this past week, however, they have not been able to accomplish much.

Alex Palmer will lead two volunteer work days, on Saturday, February 1 and 8 from 9 a.m. to noon, to assist with caging trees by using wire fencing. All training, equipment and instructions will be provided. Some heavy lifting may be required. Volunteers will meet at the Public Works Building, 555 Crescent Road at 9 a.m. and are urged to dress warmly. Participants under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

Volunteers are required to register with Palmer at alex@chears.org or call 240-542-2168.

Anyone who frequents the trail around Greenbelt Lake will have noticed that nearly every day another tree or two has succumbed to hungry beavers, Palmer says. All that remains is a stump with a sharp point.

After glancing at fallen trees, it might be ironic to hear that beavers are beneficial to the ecosystem. Beavers had become extinct in Maryland but have returned, taking advantage of better habitat protection and increased environmental awareness.

Palmer is Volunteer Maryland Coordinator for the Chesapeake Education Arts and Research society (CHEARS). CHEARS is partnering with Public Works for their Forest Stewardship project utilizing community action.

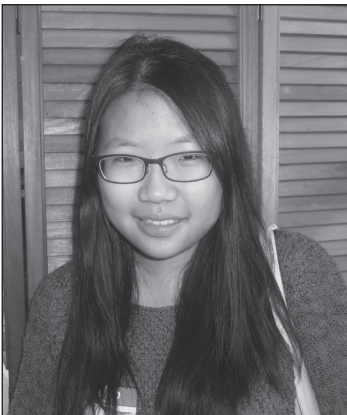
Tisha Lim Begins Semester As Dorothy Sucher Intern

by Altoria Bell Ross

Tisha Claudia Lim, a sophomore at the University of Maryland, works two days a week as an intern at the News Review. She is the first recipient of the Dorothy Sucher Memorial Award, a program set up by Sucher’s husband Joseph Sucher to honor her memory as a former editor of the News Review as well as reporter.

At the newspaper, Lim is focusing on learning the operations of the news room where she is editing and proofreading articles. Lim says she wants to gain hands-on print journalism experience working with the News Review editors and copy editors and applying the skills she is learning in her journalism classes. Lim also will be interviewing members of the community thereby enhancing her writing and reporting ability in a real-world context and understanding in what ways the writing style of a publication could be different from that of her journalism class work. Lim started this process last summer when she covered news around the community for the News Review.

In addition to the internship, Lim is an event editor for the PublicAsian where she ensures articles are free of factual and grammatical errors and written in the style according to the publica-



Tisha Claudia Lim

tion prior to posting them online. She is also responsible for pitching stories and deciding which ones to run.

As a news correspondent for the Stories Beneath the Shell, Lim conducts research on reporters’ stories to make sure their articles are accurate, and the facts are up-to-date. She has also been a staff writer for the Campus Trainer and the Black Explosion where she was responsible for submitting an article for each of the publications weekly and covering events according to the publications’ philosophies.

Lim will graduate from the University of Maryland in 2016 with a bachelor of arts degree in journalism.

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